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The Honorable J. Bennett Johnston United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Senator Johnston:

This is in response to your 21 November 1984 request for this Agency's views regarding a letter addressed to you from

According to House Joint Resolution 648, Continuing Appropriations for FY 1985, and the Intelligence Authorization Act for FY 1985, the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) is prohibited from supporting, directly or indirectly, military or paramilitary operations in Nicaragua by any nation, group, individual, or organization.

Given the prohibitions placed upon the CIA by the above legislation, the Agency has no comment with respect to proposal other than to caution him to consider the legality of such activities under the Neutrality Act and other applicable statutes.

Sincerely, STAT Charles A. Briggs Director, Office of Legislative Liaison Distribution: Original - Addressee 1 - D/OLL 1 - DD/OLL STAT 1 - C/ALD/OGC \_w/basic STAT 1 - 0S/SAG w/basic 1 - C/LEG/OLL 1 - OLL Record ا - OLL Chrono -STAT gg (29 November 1984)

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